

youth ATAPS program

Dubbo Plains
Division of
General Practice



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population data

- Division 101 000
- Dubbo 40 000
- Indigenous 10 000
- Youth <25years 36 000
- Indigenous youth <25 years 5 800

target group

- Hard to reach youth
 - Post release
 - Aboriginal youth
 - Youth not in the education system
 - Homeless or in danger of homelessness

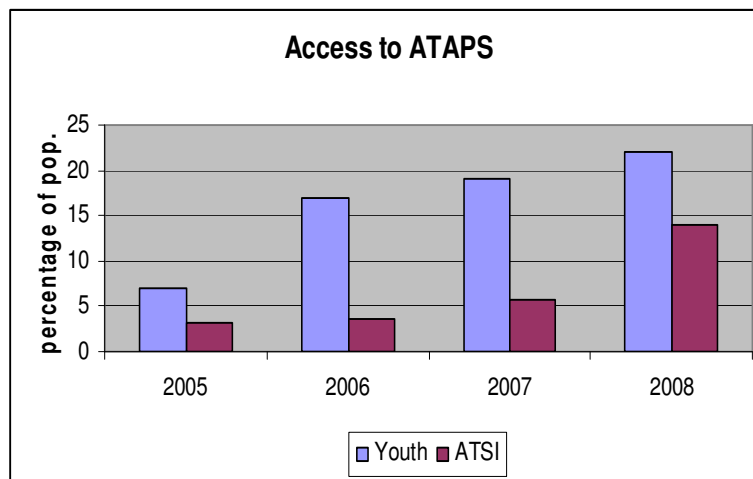
partnerships

- Mission Australia
- Juvenile Justice
- **Bulk billing** - Medical Centre
- Psychologists

systems key features

- Existing ATAPS referral system +
- Case worker mentoring role
- GP appointment system
- Psychologist access

outcomes



Overall positive feedback via surveys

- Clients
- Psychologists
- GPs
- Case Workers

unexpected outcomes

- Clients accessing GPs for other health related issues
- More GPs & Psyches' contributing

strengths of the program

- GP allocate adequate time to young person
- Psychologists see client on clients turf
- Case Worker mentoring role
- Regular stakeholder communication

challenges

- Evaluation
- Reliance on specific staff at WPMC
- Difficulty tracking MA clients for outcomes
- Funding constraints

where to now?

- Developing legs of its own!
- Like to extend to other youth orientated services – funding capacity

young persons response

- Q. What was the most helpful part of the program
- R. *'I could see my counselor at Mission Australia for the first couple of visits. I got the support I needed'*

thank you
